

**SPECIAL MEETING  
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN  
(PUBLIC PARTICIPATION)**

**March 16, 2021**

**7:00 p.m.**

Mayor Craig called the meeting to order.

Mayor Craig stated due to the COVID-19/Coronavirus crisis and in accordance with Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this Board is authorized to meet electronically.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Cavanaugh, Stewart, Long, Roy, Sapienza, O'Neil, Terrio, Porter, Shaw, Barry, Gamache, Hirschmann

Absent: Alderman Levasseur

Mayor Craig advised that the purpose of the special meeting is to give residents of Manchester the opportunity to address the Board on items of concern affecting the community; that each person will be given only one opportunity to speak, all comments shall be limited to three minutes and any comments must be directed to the Chair.

Matthew Normand, City Clerk, stated I don't have anyone on the phone who wants to speak but I do have one written comment to read. It is addressed to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen from Elizabeth Moreau. It states:

I would like to address this Board regarding the shameful actions we as a city witnessed at the last aldermanic meeting. The complaint I brought up to your attention has been turned into a political game headed by our very own mayor. There are certain things in life that are not political, such as right and wrong, ethical and non-ethical. I have given evidence in multiple forms and presented it all to you. Anyone with an ounce of common sense or logic would question the alderman at-large's involvement in several municipal contract consulting firms,

which he refuses to fully acknowledge and disclose. I presented five companies in which he claims to have served or at the very least an outside business has claimed he has served. Each individually serves as a Charter violation non-disclosure. Let's not forget the sixth violation of giving the impression of corruption and attempting to intimidate another Board member. As usual, leadership of the city would rather play partisan politics and political games. What makes this all more comical is your disregard and non-response to the allegations mayor. You have not said the claim is baseless or addressed the information I presented further showing your divisive political nature. Your public statement following the last meeting states "this latest stunt is nothing more than a petty distraction to prevent progress." You did not believe inside information dealing in corruption are real problems in government then you are part of the problem. I, alone, found this information. I did not request the GOP use it, however, it appears without others sharing this information you would have gotten away with sweeping this under the rug, which was my main concern when I initially brought this to the AG's attention. The bait and switch game which played out against Alderman Levasseur was aimed at the wrong person. He did not file or lodge this complaint. It was a weak attempt at creating a distraction from the real problems of Manchester. If it takes me saying I will not run for alderman at-large for my complaint to be fairly heard, then so be it but it should not be a requirement in order for real questions to be answered by our elected officials. The fact that you broke a tie in favor of not requesting a free third party investigation to clear the doubt held by half of the elected members of the Board who represent at least half of your constituents is disgraceful and you should be ashamed. It is regretful that I should even have to write this.

Your constituent,

s/Elizabeth Ann Moreau

*There being no one else wishing to speak, **Alderman Roy** moved to take all comments under advisement, receive and file any written documentation presented, and adjourn. **Alderman Barry** duly seconded the motion. Mayor Craig called for a vote. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.*

A True Record. Attest.



City Clerk